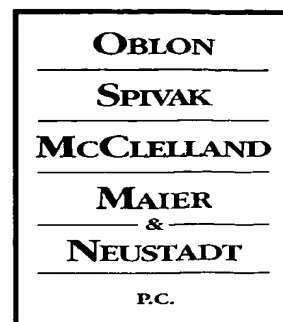




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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

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The Patent Office is respectfully requested to inform the undersigned of the approximate date on which further action will be taken on this Application. A copy of the Amendment filed on February 12, 2004 was faxed to the Examiner Mark Ruthkosky August 5, 2004, and a copy of the date Stamped Filing Receipt was faxed on September 3, 2004.

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